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Dear Sir:

I must take issue with the letter from Mr. J. Albert White, Vice Chairman of the Palmdale Planning Commission, (Aug. 4) in which he waxes sarcastic about the Sierra Club and its attorneys.

Perhaps from its "lofty perch", the Sierra Club has a better view of the down to earth problems which must be solved before the Palmdale Intercontinental Airport can be a reality. Without the intervention of the Sierra Club, we'd have "progressed" to the point where the Grand Canyon would now have been dammed, the Everglades paved with runways, Mineral King bulldozed out of existence, and many of our forests clear-cut. Our government planners simply must realize that unless they carry out the preliminary studies which are the law of the land, lawsuits will result.

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